

# St. Joseph County, IN Highlights

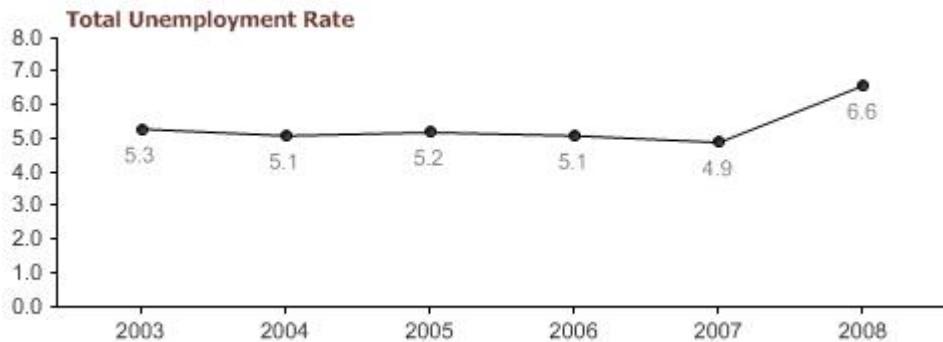
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## Labor Force

An area's labor force provides insight on the availability factor and is residence-based - that is, the people are working or seeking work and reside in the particular county or region.

### Annual Labor Force Estimates in 2008

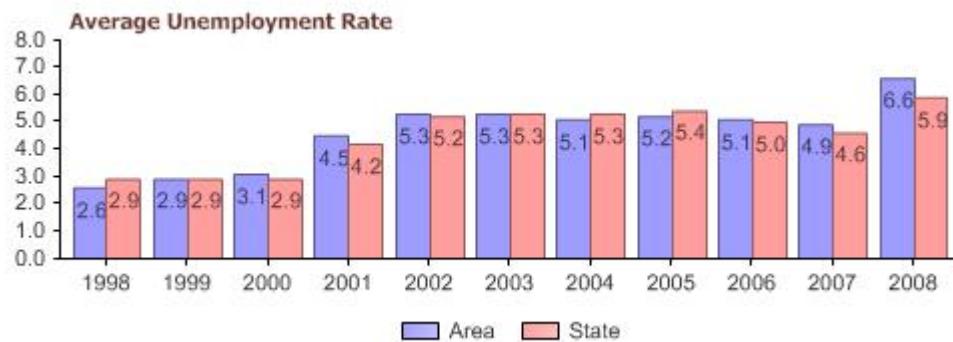
|                    | Number  | Pct. Chg. from 2000 |
|--------------------|---------|---------------------|
| <b>Labor Force</b> | 132,758 | -1.6%               |
| <b>Employed</b>    | 123,988 | -5.2%               |
| <b>Unemployed</b>  | 8,770   | 110.7%              |
| <b>Rate</b>        | 6.6     | 112.9%              |



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

### Labor Force Estimates

|             | Labor Force | Emp.    | Unemp. | Area Rate | State Rate |
|-------------|-------------|---------|--------|-----------|------------|
| <b>1998</b> | 137,591     | 133,971 | 3,620  | 2.6       | 2.9        |
| <b>1999</b> | 137,018     | 132,999 | 4,019  | 2.9       | 2.9        |
| <b>2000</b> | 134,949     | 130,787 | 4,162  | 3.1       | 2.9        |
| <b>2001</b> | 133,390     | 127,399 | 5,991  | 4.5       | 4.2        |
| <b>2002</b> | 133,433     | 126,318 | 7,115  | 5.3       | 5.2        |
| <b>2003</b> | 131,756     | 124,725 | 7,031  | 5.3       | 5.3        |
| <b>2004</b> | 132,597     | 125,805 | 6,792  | 5.1       | 5.3        |
| <b>2005</b> | 133,939     | 126,932 | 7,007  | 5.2       | 5.4        |
| <b>2006</b> | 134,788     | 127,921 | 6,867  | 5.1       | 5.0        |
| <b>2007</b> | 133,337     | 126,831 | 6,506  | 4.9       | 4.6        |
| <b>2008</b> | 132,758     | 123,988 | 8,770  | 6.6       | 5.9        |



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